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Students' shot at service

BYUSA's annual Y Days gives students the opportunity to get involved on campus and in the community.

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Education still tops Bush priorities

AFP photo

President Bush greets the students of Justina Elementary School in Jacksonville, Fla. Wednesday during a Leadership Forum on the importance of reading programs for children. Bush pressured lawmakers to approve his education reform plan.

Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — President Bush tried to breathe new life into his education agenda Monday, seeking to cajole lawmakers into action.

"I don't think education ought to be a partisan issue," Bush said at a campaign-style event at an elementary school. "I know reading is not a partisan issue — I mean, getting every child to read in America is an American issue and it ought to be an American goal and it is going to be in this administration."

Bush also announced a pair of federal initiatives to improve reading instruction.

Before making his fourth visit to Florida as president, Bush met with Australian Prime Minister John Howard to mark the 50th anniversary of the military alliance between the two nations.

At the Washington Navy Yard, Bush presented Howard the ship's bell from the USS Canberra, which was struck in 1944 by an aerial torpedo, killing 23 men. The Canberra was named for the capital of Australia and an Australian warship that was lost in 1942.

Bush joked that the 250-pound gift is "not that easy to move around" but is "a reminder of a faithful partner in times of crisis and in times of calm."

Howard badly wants a commitment from Bush to begin negotiations on a trade pact, but U.S. officials advised Australia last week they could not make any commitment while the administration was pressing Congress to grant the president sweeping new authority in trade negotiations. Bush, in brief remarks, made only a general reference to the "virtues of free trade among all nations." Howard is seeking a third term in elections expected in late November.

Bush has a political problem of his own — the struggling U.S. economy. Last week White House officials called the economy Bush's No. 1 priority. This was a distinction that education had long held.

On Sunday, the administration sought to fuse the two issues. "Education is part of our economy, and remains a top priority to the president," spokeswoman Jennifer Millerwise said.

The two-day trip to Jacksonville and Sarasota, Fla., began a week in which Bush planned to emphasize education, and reading in particular.

The activity comes as congressional negotiators resume work on a schools bill.

Months ago, the House and Senate passed similar versions of the revised Elementary and Secondary Education Act, which provides most of the federal support for K-12 schools. Negotiators are working out a compromise between the two bills, but difficult issues remain, chiefly the price tag.

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The House and Senate versions of the bill differ drastically in how much money they would provide. The Republican-controlled House proposed about $24 billion, while the Senate, run by Democrats, approved $33 billion. The federal government is spending about $18.4 billion this year on elementary and secondary education.

"The president told us education would be his top priority. Now it's time for him to prove it," said Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass. "We know that the president will figure out a way to pay for his $18 billion defense increase. Surely he can find a way to increase funding for our children's education, too."

Seeking to focus public attention on Congress's deliberations, Bush and Education Secretary Rod Paige were emphasizing reading during the Florida trip, visiting schools in Jacksonville on Monday and Sarasota on Tuesday.

State of the economy: Where are we?

Bush pushed to deal with crisis affecting U.S. recession

Associated Press

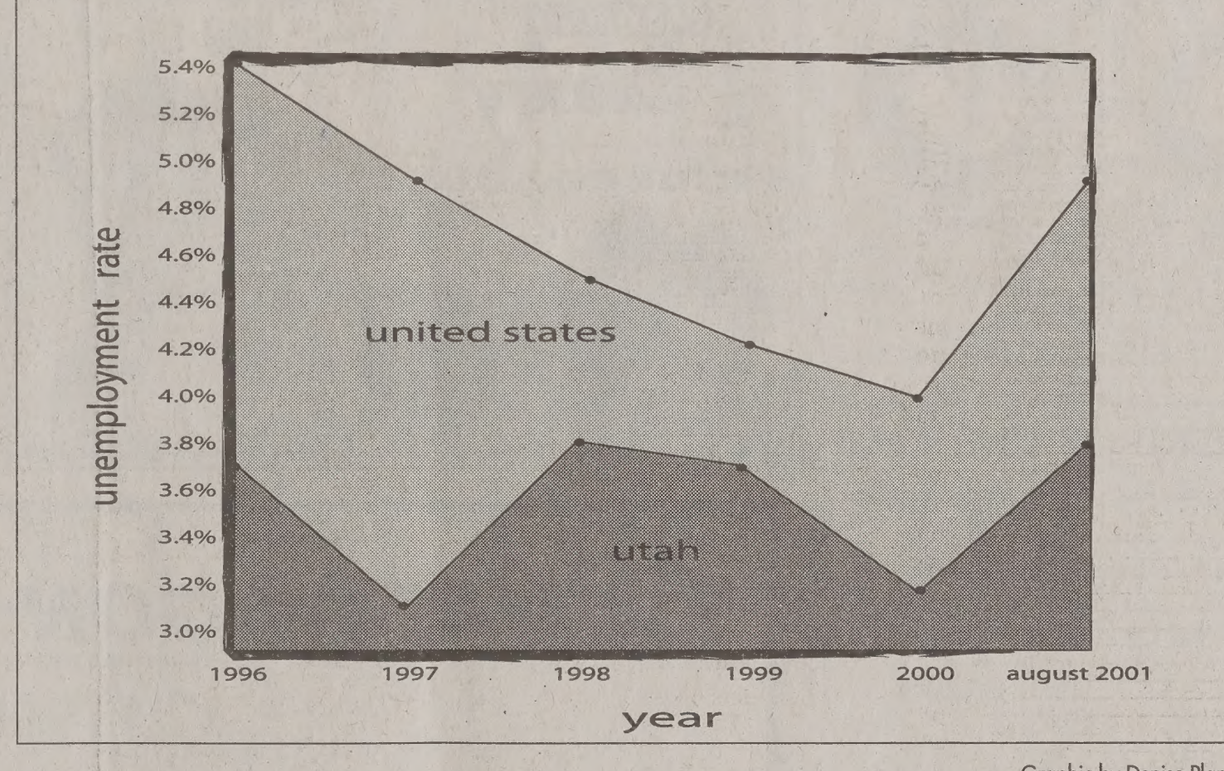
WASHINGTON — His tax cut cleared by Congress and the economy in recession two decades ago, President Reagan memorably urged the nation to 'stay the course.' Republicans paid a steep price in midterm elections, making it a course that House Speaker Dennis Hastert and Senate GOP leader Trent Lott would surely like to skip in 2002.

Instead, they're prodding President Bush to do something about the weakening economy — quickly and unequivocally embrace a capital gains tax cut, for example — at the same time they press him to keep a political promise to protect the Social Security surplus.

Hastert set the political context starkly at the White House last week as lawmakers returned from a monthlong break. "We're on a different schedule," he told Bush, according to one official in attendance at the session. The president, whose name won't be on any ballot until 2004, responded he was well aware of the different election timelines.

According to this participant, who spoke on condition of anonymity, Bush also said his economic plan, put into place this spring, is just now taking hold. Millions of tax rebate checks have yet to go out, and take-home pay for millions of taxpayers will rise in January next year when withholding schedules are adjusted to take next year's income tax cuts into account.

"I want the American people to know we're deeply concerned about the unemployment rates, and we intend to do something about it," the president said, hastening to demonstrate concern over jobless figures.



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U.S. fiscal woes create questions about future

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For Jeff Bush, 22, a computer engineering major from Houston, Texas, the future is about as predictable as the volatile economy.

A national computer company that hired him for the summer invited him to come back next year.

But with mass layoffs and increasing mergers, Bush says nothing is certain.

"The state of the economy creates a lot of questions," he said.

These questions range from whether he can land a successful job after graduation, or opt to pursue a master's degree.

In the meantime, Bush hopes the economy will recover.

Bush's story is a familiar one, as students approach an increasingly mercurial job market.

During the past year, companies laid off millions of Americans.

In August alone, the U.S. Labor Department reported that total employment fell by 1 million workers as the national unemployment rate swelled to a four-year high of 4.9 percent.

Whereas the national jobless rate has lingered at about 4.5 percent since April, the 4.9 percent marks the highest unemployment rate, seasonally adjusted, since September 1997.

Utah is doing better than most of the nation.

According to the Utah Department of Workforce Services' August 2001 report, the state's unemployment rate stands more than a full percentage point below the national average at 3.8 percent.

"If the national economic downturn persists, we can expect a trickle-down to the state's economy," said Robert Crawford, BYU associate professor of managerial economics.

Last week, big-name businesses such as Motorola and American International Group slashed thousands of jobs.

Monday, Qwest Communications International announced it would cut 4,000 jobs, or 6 percent of its work force.

So investors and consumers, along with the rest of the world, are holding their breath wondering what the future will hold.

"State of mind, sentiments and opinion are as important a determinant of the future as any so-called external or objective factor," Crawford said.

He said that it is the idea of "self-fulfilling prophecy."

"People begin to anticipate economic downfall and are conservative with their money, afraid of the risks in investment," he said. "This in turn brings on the very thing they fear."

An August survey conducted by Gallup News Service reported that for the first time since 1993, more Americans felt financially worse off than better off.

Some 41 percent of Americans said their personal financial situation is worse today than it was a year ago, while 37 percent said it is better.

In an attempt to encourage spending and investment, the Federal Reserve has cut interest rates seven times this year.

In addition to that, President Bush implemented his tax plan to promote fiscal morale.

Still, people can be fearful of recent economic trends.

But Crawford doesn't think the economic slump will be permanent, or hit hard enough to change lifestyle drastically.

"The economy is something to be concerned about, but in terms of historical numbers, this figure is not high," he said.

Orem lights brighten up city streets

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Orem residents and local drivers are complaining that the newly-installed teardrop-style street lamps on Orem Center Street are too bright.

"Everyone I have talked to has said that it is more difficult to see while driving," said Paul Witte of Provo.

"My wife had to put down her car visor when she was driving at 11 at night."

The streetlight tussle will be debated tonight at the Orem City Council meeting.

Through a citywide project, street lamps have been installed in the Cherry Hill, Westmore and SCERA Park communities, as well as to University Parkway.

"We want this program to beautify the city," said Chad Hendry, Orem's neighborhood organizational specialist. "Orem has been one of the darkest cities in the area."

Additionally, streetlights can reduce burglary, car theft and other residential crimes, he said.

Although there have been complaints, Hendry said the feedback has been over 95 percent positive from residents with lights near their homes. "Most people I have heard from have wanted a light," he said.

However, cost to households, brightness of the streetlights and placement in the city are sources of concern with Orem local.

"I think it is good," said Orem resident Robin Upshaw, "I'm just worried how much they will raise my rates."

"I like the look," UVSC student Jair Alvarez said. "I'm just concerned about how much money we spent on it."

According to the City of Orem Web site, a single family residence will pay an additional $3.25 a month when construction begins in their area. This charge will appear on monthly utility bills for the next 18 years.

News Briefs

Compiled from staff and news service reports

Suicide bomber kills two policemen

ISTANBUL, Turkey — A suicide bomber set off an explosive in front of a police post Monday, killing two policemen, injuring 21 people and creating panic in Istanbul's nearby main square, a popular destination for tourists.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the blast, which created such a gruesome scene that police dashed to the area and covered bloody body parts with newspaper, putting stones on top to prevent the paper from blowing away.

Police identified the dead bomber as Ugur Bulbul, who was released from prison six months ago after serving time for membership in a banned Marxist group, the Revolutionary People's Liberation Party-Front.

The group is leading a year-long hunger strike to protest prison conditions. Thirty-three people have died so far while fasting.

Earthquake strikes west Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES — A shallow, 4.2-magnitude earthquake hit west Los Angeles, breaking windows and water pipes and shaking the ground dozens of miles away. There were no reports of serious damage or injury, authorities said.

The quake struck at 4:49 p.m. on Sunday about one mile southeast of West Hollywood, said Lucy Jones, the scientist in charge of the U.S. Geological Survey office in Pasadena.

Officials said the temblor was widely felt because it was centered just 2.3 miles below the Earth's surface. But it was not strong enough to cause major structural damage.

"It is the type that would rattle dishes, knock dishes out of shelves and things of this nature. But as far as damage to buildings, I don't think we'll have significant damage," said city fire department spokesman Jim Wells.

Michelin cuts 7 percent of work force

GREENVILLE, S.C. — Blaming poor tire sales, Michelin North America Inc. said Monday that it is cutting 2,000 jobs or about 7 percent of its 26,500-person work force.

Cuts will affect all operations, spokeswoman Nancy Banks said. Michelin, which has 23 plants in North America, hopes to complete most of the cuts through normal attrition and voluntary severance programs.

The cuts were expected since Michelin North America announced this spring it would cut $125 million in operating costs. The tire maker — a subsidiary of France's Michelin, the world's No. 2 tire maker — has since said it needs to cut costs by an additional $75 million.

Michelin's car and small truck tire sales were boosted last year after Bridgestone/Firestone recalled 6.5 million tires in the United States and Ford announced that it would replace 13 million more Firestones.

But the company's tire sales for larger trucks declined as the tractor-trailer industry saw lower sales. The cost of raw materials has also increased.

Report finds holes in global satellite

WASHINGTON — The satellite system that the Federal Aviation Administration counts on to help planes arrive on time can be blocked or jammed, a new government report says.

The report by the Transportation Department's Volpe National Transportation Systems Center said that buildings or interference from other transmissions could block the signal from the satellites, known as Global Positioning System.

In addition, the signals could be jammed or the satellites could be attacked, though the report calls the last scenario "highly unlikely."

The report warned: "As GPS further penetrates into the civil infrastructure, it becomes a tempting target that could be exploited by individuals, groups or countries hostile to the United States."

The use of the satellites is part of the FAA's $11.5 billion plan to allow more planes to land, take off and fly from place to place.

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sources: BYU Geography Dept., CNN

Scripture of the Day

"Behold, I am a disciple of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. I have been called of him to declare his word among his people, that they might have everlasting life."
— *3 Nephi 5:13*

Megan Gooch, a junior from Scottsdale, Ariz., majoring in community health, likes this scripture because "it depicts what I am trying to do, which is be a true disciple of Christ and declare his words through my actions and behavior."

Study gives face to child abuse

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Children who engage in prostitution and the making of pornography are likely to be white, middle-class and familiar with the person who got them involved, according to a study released Monday.

These young people were often abused at home and fled to the streets, where they exchanged sex for money, food and shelter, the report said.

The University of Pennsylvania and the National Association of Social Workers issued the study.

About 326,000 children in the United States are victims of commercial sexual exploitation, the report estimated.

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> — Richard J. Estes, University of Pennsylvania

"It's an epidemic that has been off the radar screen and mostly hidden," said Richard J. Estes, a social work professor at the University of Pennsylvania and the study's main author.

Equal numbers of boys and girls are involved, but the activities of boys generally receive less attention.

Most people who have sex with children are men, 25 percent of whom are married and have children.

About 47 percent of sexual assaults on children were committed by relatives, 49 percent by acquaintances and only 4 percent by strangers.

The study — titled "The Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children in the U.S., Canada and Mexico" — found [illegible] policies and services int[illegible] combat sexual exploit[illegible] children and help the vic[illegible]

It criticized state and l[illegible] ernments for "benign [illegible] because too many agencie[illegible] the resources to detect t[illegible] lem.

"It's invisible becaus[illegible] people aren't primed t[illegible] They are attuned to at[illegible] assault and see the[illegible] exploitation as more of [illegible] problem. They can't b[illegible] child would be asked to[illegible] such acts," Estes said.

Additional funding [illegible] enable government and[illegible] agencies to train more p[illegible] detect such exploitat[illegible] added.

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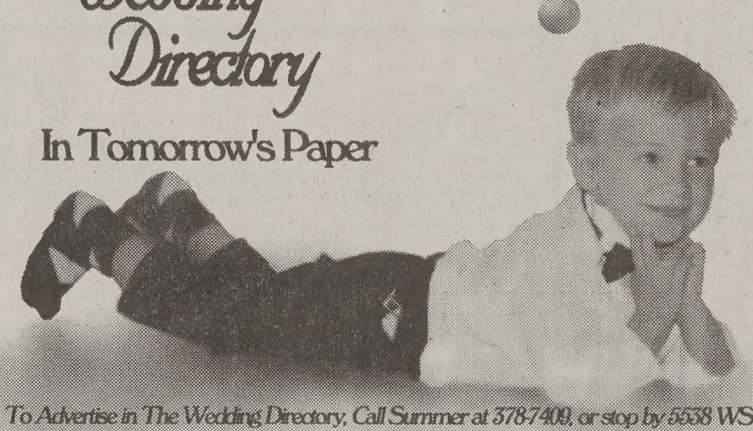

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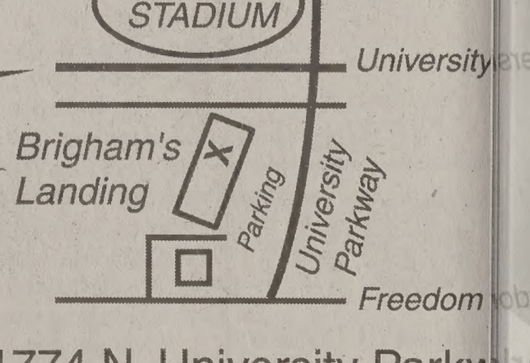

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Days unites tradition with service

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...nesday's activities will ... with BYUSA officers kick- ... f their Grassroots service ...sign by visiting freshman ...

"This will help the student officers be even more in touch with the student body, and help them more fully understand the needs of the students," said Chris Walker, BYUSA's community service vice president. "They also hope to get freshmen involved with BYUSA."

Joni Renick, executive director of BYUSA public relations said, "Grassroots gives BYUSA officers the opportunity to get out and serve. This is something they volunteer to do as a way to give back to the community."

Service on campus will continue Thursday as BYUSA and LDS Humanitarian Services host "Service to the World Night," which begins at 7 p.m. in the Kennedy Center. This will be a campus-wide service project focusing on international service.

This weekend, United Way will host even more BYU service projects. Friday's activities will begin at 8 a.m. at LaVell Edwards Stadium and continue throughout the day.

Friday night, students are expected to swarm campus for one of the biggest events of the year, Fall Fling. Sponsored by the Salt Lake Organizing Committee, this event will involve students and faculty in dances and games across campus.

File Photo

Students take a break during last year's Y days.

The final Y Days activity will be the Saturday cleaning and restoration of the Y on the mountain.

The project has been the most popular and longest lasting tradition of Y Days, Renick said. However, in the past two years, it has been quietly neglected, she said.

With the Y needing more cleaning than ever after summer wildfires charred the mountain, BYUSA hopes to draw 200-500 students for the project.

Years ago, the cleaning of the Y was a tradition involving the entire campus. School was canceled for a day as bucket brigades passed pails of paint up the mountain to whitewash the Y.

For those interested in participating, a shuttle to the "Y" will leave Saturday morning at 9:45 from the north side of the WSC.

Campus services help students supplement college spendings

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While most universities hire both students and non-students to fill on-campus jobs, BYU almost always turns to students.

"The university has been under the instruction from the church to give more students opportunities to work and fund their education," said Don Brown, director of Student Employment Services.

With more than 11,000 students employed on campus during Fall and Winter semesters, BYU is tagged as the largest employer of student workers in the nation.

Students at BYU earn anywhere from $6.65 to $7.95 per hour, higher than Utah's minimum wage of $5.15 an hour.

With a high turnover rate of student workers, Brown said it is more difficult to train and re-train student workers than to pull in non-student workers who will stay at a job for longer periods of time.

But Brown said the process is worth it if it allows more students to continue going to school.

Students who work while in school are usually in school longer than non-working students, according to a survey done by the U.S. Department of Education.

However in light of this report, Mary O'Neill, assistant manager of SES, said they are trying to help student workers graduate within four years.

To achieve this, BYU requires undergraduate students and non-degree seeking graduate students to enroll in at least nine credit hours.

With tuition costs at a minimal level, O'Neill also said students can stay in school year-round instead of taking time off to work.

Nancy Hatch, manager of SES, said students actually do better in school when they have a job.

"Work experience is as significant to future employment as grades are," Hatch said.

"Working while in school teaches a student time management skills, and provides opportunities to discover individual interests," she said.

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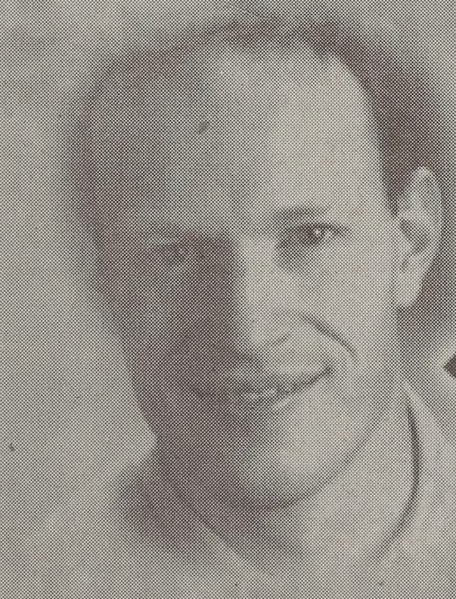

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An Olympic reminder: Let's lighten up

The words and settings were different, but the messages were unmistakably similar, touching on something we, as members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, should remember as the Olympics approach:

It's time we all lighten up a little.

The first voice was Frank Deford's. The longtime Sports Illustrated columnist was in Salt Lake City on Thursday to speak at the Utah League of Cities and Towns convention. This, of course, was just days after Newsweek's cover story on the Church of Jesus Christ – and its role in the so-called "Mo-lympics" – hit area newsstands. The article fueled fears that the media will make of mockery of Salt Lake City, the church and local Olympic officials when the Winter Games arrive in February.

For worried civic leaders, however, Deford had soothing words.

"You're cool. Relax and enjoy it. You're set. You're going to have a great Olympics," he said.

The second – and more authoritative – voice was President Gordon B. Hinckley's. In a candid but far less colloquial talk at Sunday's CES fireside, President Hinckley emphasized the same message as he addressed college-age members of the church.

"Journalists will mock that which we call sacred," he said. "They will belittle that which we call divine. … But I want to tell you: What they write will not injure us."

While only loosely related, both quotes come to the heart of what we should remember as the Olympics pay a visit. Simply, as members of the church, we should stop taking ourselves so seriously — particularly when we're lampooned by journalists.

The bad press should hardly surprise us. After all, negative media coverage has trailed the Church of Jesus Christ throughout its 171-year history.

In predictable fashion, the Newsweek piece depicted church members as "mysterious and clannish" and delved into the church's history with polygamy and ordaining blacks to the priesthood.

Newsweek's work is just a preview of what's to come. Thousands of visiting journalists will have "great difficulty understanding us," President Hinckley said, because they won't have the Spirit — an essential component in grasping church doctrines and practices.

Church authorities will correct and clarify doctrinal misrepresentations in the media. We applaud the church's efforts to do just that in responding to Newsweek's claims that the church has staged a public-relations campaign to make the religion look more Christian.

As members of the church, our job is much simpler: We can't let the media needling offend us.

Beyond Salt Lake City, the klieg lights of Olympic scrutiny will illuminate BYU and Provo, and it's time we accept the fact that the coverage will explore our eyesores — not just our virtues. In the end, we'll give off a far better impression by shrugging off the criticism and laughing at our quirks and follies than wasting our breath in whining.

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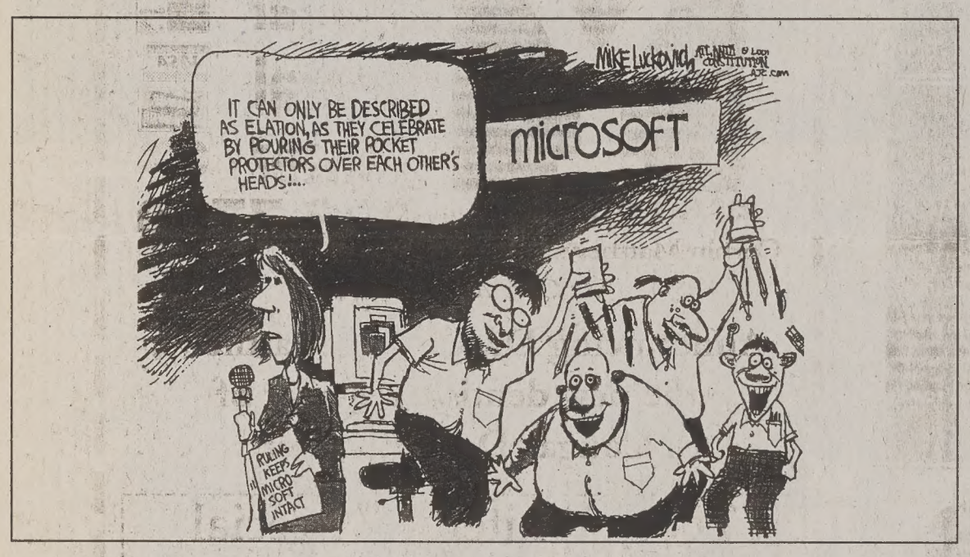
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VIEWPOINT

Disappointing lawsuit

Naomi Frandsen
Special to The Universe

The most tragic thing, of course, is that it happened in the first place. But a close second is the fact that Jeremiah Scott filed a $1.5 billion claim against The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at all. Begun in 1998, the case held the church responsible for the sexual abuse of Scott by Franklin Curtis, a fellow ward member, by reasoning the then-current bishop withheld information about Curtis.

After three years, the case finally concluded last week with a $3 million settlement paid by the church to Scott. But the issues trailing in the heels of this case still remain — crux questions like, does an 11 million member church really have responsibility over the actions of every single member? Can an individual, perhaps justifiably disgruntled through his church associations, pin the entire blame on one organization? What of the now-passed away abuser, Franklin Richard Curtis?

In a church that preaches complete forgiveness for complete repentance, would it not have been hypocritical if he'd been branded from ward to ward as a child molester? Finally, and perhaps saddest of all, was a suit against the church the real course of healing and restoring for Jeremiah Scott?

Granted, responsibility can be a tricky thing to determine. But in this case, and as church attorney Von Keetch has constantly maintained, the church was clearly not to blame.

Weigh these two facts:

1) Scott and his mother invited Curtis to stay in their home through their own choice and against the counsel of their bishop, who questioned their resources in caring for him;

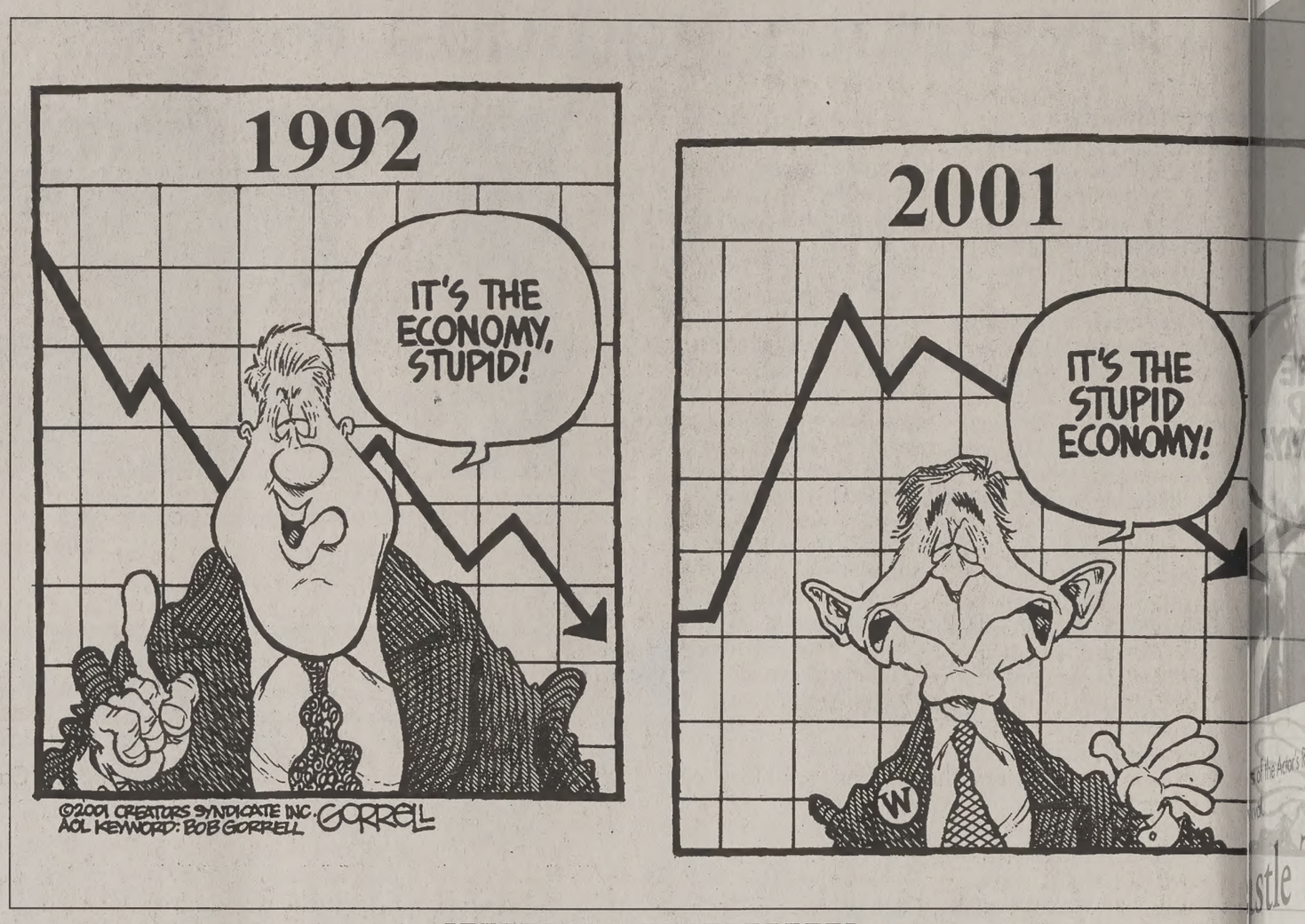
2) Bishop Gregory Lee Foster stated under oath that he, in fact, did not know that Curtis, a recent arrival from Pennsylvania, had a past criminal record or had been previously excommunicated, since that had occurred in the early 1980s, when the church had no system for annotating such information on church membership records.

But beyond that, had the bishop known or disclosed any such information, could not Curtis then have brought a suit against the church for disclosure of confidential information, gathered in a typical "confession" setting? The Roman Catholic Church would certainly have something to say about that — priests refusing to testify to members' confessions even under the most rigorous of courtroom peer pressure has been romanticized in Hollywood for years.

Although the abuse is egregious in the extreme and unjustifiable under any terms, Scott and his mother took responsibility upon themselves when they agreed to house Curtis in the first place without checking into his record, which would have been open to the public at any police station. Too often, we dodge responsibility for tragedies that we feel could have been averted by someone else, when in fact our own decisions indeed influenced them.

Of responsibility, we can merely say that Curtis is responsible for the abuse, the Scotts are responsible for their decision to take him into their home and the church — well, the church would have been responsible for doing what it has always striven to do — to bear Scott's burden, to mourn with him, and to comfort him when he stood in need of comfort.

Sad, isn't it, and a little ironic that Scott closed himself off from receiving the very thing that even $3 million couldn't bring back — spiritual healing.



Varsity blues

Dear Editor,

I'm a little disappointed at how callously The Daily Universe treated the demise of the Varsity. I graduated from BYU in 1998 and I've got many very fond memories of attending movies there. Now granted, I can understand that its popularity diminished once the edited movies were no longer being shown. I also understand that it was no longer viable economically. However, you're missing perhaps the bigger picture.

One of the most important aspects of a university experience is the timeless nature of college life. The fact that I can talk to someone who is 50 years old or someone who is 19 and discuss with each of them what it is like to climb Maeser Hill in February is a very important facet of my love for BYU. Do I fault today's BYU student for not having the same love for the Varsity that I or other alumni have? Certainly not. But I would certainly hope that the passing of a tradition that is honored by thousands of former students at least be honored and respected by today's. One day something about BYU that you hold dear will go the way of the Varsity, and you will be sad that your sons and daughters won't be able to share in that experience with you.

Matt Gosney
San Jose, Calif.

Half-mast mourning

Dear Editor,

I have been part of the BYU community since 1992 and have been amazed that no one ever seems to know why the flag ends up at half-mast. I would love to mourn together with the campus community whenever a tragedy befalls the campus community -- such as a respected alumnus dying -- but I feel uncomfortable seeing the flag at half-mast and not knowing why I should be mourning.

The Daily Universe is in a unique position to provide a solution for this problem -- a regular feature article covering the days when the flag is flown at half-mast and the reasons why. There is even some chance that article could appear the same day that the flag is flown if the decision is made sufficiently in advance of the printing.

Could a Universe reporter be assigned to coordinate with the administration or the ROTC to cover this important part of campus life? With minimal effort on the part of The Universe staff, the campus could be united in sympathy instead of baffled whenever the flag is flying at half-mast.

Vaughn Gardner
Odenton, Md.

Parking Woes

BYU is changing and it is not necessarily for the better. At Wyview and Wymount married student housing there have been a few changes — changes that possibly could have been avoided if people were considerate of others and obeyed the simple rules put in place by the housing office. However, even the way the housing office has handled the problems could be improved upon.

The problems are these:

1) For tenants to park in either Wymount or Wyview requires registration of the vehicle(s) owned and a Y permit. Easy, right? So you register the vehicle(s) and are given two stickers, one for each car and one hanging Y permit to use for both vehicles;

2) What if you are a student with two vehicles and your spouse needs to go to campus and wants to park there? They take the hanging Y pass and go. You come home go to park in front of your building, get out lugging your baby and groceries, in the rain, run into the house and realize that you can't park there because you don't have the hanging Y pass!

Now you must get your tired child back into the car and cruise around looking for a place to park away from your building but not in visitor parking. So you find somewhere to park and drag all of your now wet things and baby back to your house and collapse. Then your spouse comes home and pulls right up to the front of the building, runs in, looks at you and says, "What happened to you?"

Now, this is just one of the many examples of this inconvenience. You parents and future parents out there can understand how a little convenience would come in handy in this and similar situations.

Would it be so hard to find an alternative to the parking plan now in place? One that would benefit all people living in student housing whether they are students or not? We want to have a friendly and non-stressful atmosphere in which to live and resolving this problem would help. To all the involved BYU students: "To the mattresses!"

Amber Mitchell
Katy, Texas

Welcome, freshmen

Dear Editor,

As a now seasoned upper-classman, I feel it my duty at the commmencement of this new school year to encourage my fellow students to wholeheartedly welcome the incoming freshmen we find in our midst. For those of you having difficulty, they're fairly easy to spot this year. Nothing says, "I'm a freshman" quite like a gigantic "Yahoo Serious" style afro. For you locals, nothing says, "I'm a regional freshman" (Utah and Idaho) quite like those blonde, "soul glo" ringlets cascading from the scalps of young strapping lads. Welcome youth. With you on campus I feel no need to watch TRL.

Chris Watkins
Gilbert, Ariz.

Shoe thief

To Last Thursday's Thief:

Last Thursday you stole my running shoes from the men's locker room in the Smith Fieldhouse. I had my eyes off of them for 30 seconds. I'm disappointed -- disappointed in you for compromising your integrity by breaking the honor code, the laws of the land, and the laws of God. I'm also disappointed that the shoes won't go to good use (I'm sure a size 7.5 won't fit you). Maybe you could fix that by giving them to the DI or to someone you know who could use them. You may or may not be LDS, but you are a BYU student and a son of God. Live up to who you are and instead of taking, start giving. By giving of your time, talents, energy, and means you can help make BYU — and this world — a more peaceful, happier place to live.

Jeff Folsom
Ogden

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GOP nominees

Dear Editor,

As an active Utah voter, I am thr… for the opportunity that the Utah … has given our state to have … Republican nominees in general e… tions. By that I mean "Republican n… nees truly chosen by Utah Republica…

High-profile Utah Democrats, such… former Attorney General Jan Gra… and Salt Lake City Councilman Ra… Horiuchi, have made no secret of the… that they have voted in Republican … maries in the past. In a state that is… very few Democratic primaries, … Democrats seem to have recognized … they have every reason to vote in … Republican primary election to try t… a weaker Republican opponent fo… November general election.

I applaud Utah Republicans for re… nizing the principle that Republicans … Democrats, should choose Republ… nominees. We would never stand … having the L.A. Lakers choose the s… ing lineup for the Utah Jazz. Why w… we allow Democrats to help decide … will be the Republican nominee?

I believe that opening the Republ… primary to registered Republicans … will help Utah Republicans select n… nees who truly represent the principl… the Utah Republican Party.

Nate Draschil
Provo

Greedy guests

Dear Editor,

Yeah, yeah, yeah, I know "the wor… our campus," but the world -- or at … participants from CES, Education V… and parents here for freshman orient… — should leave our stuff alone!

For the past month, participants … all around the country have visited … campus; and being the nice local I … and despite the traffic on 900 East … crowded lines in the Creamery and … taken student parking places, I graci… ly welcomed our visitors with a s… and open arms —- but when they … themselves to whatever they see, a … needs to be drawn.

I work on campus, and staff in … annual "change offices move" had … of their stuff in the hallway, waiting … new home. Little thought was give… the 65,000 Education Week particip… roaming around just two floors belo… After all, common sense would say … these continually learning particip… would respect our space and not wa… through our floor. Well, you know … assumptions do to you. That very … participants young and old opened … sifted through the faculty boxes … some even decided to keep whatever … found valuable, as if it were a ga… sale. The next day we decided th… order to protect our stuff, we plac… curtain around it and locked the s… well.

But that is not the worst of it. D… freshman orienation I was delivering … ulty-required reading material, b… costing $25. Confidently, I left the e… the Wikinson Student Center open e… space while running another err… Granted, there were so many pe… around, I assumed it would be saf… my brief five-minute absence, a tot… four out of the 12 books had … swiped. Within a few seconds a st… hurriedly ran up to me and return… book she confiscated from a parent … had taken one, but she wasn't ab… track down the other books that she … had been snatched.

When visitors come to our campus, … welcome them, but for those few … help themselves to things that belo… the school, I wish they would remem… they are guests who need to ask per… sion if they are interested in somet… (even on stuff that is temporarily i… hallways).

Jillian Doria
Provo

Photo courtesy of Castle Theatre

of the Actor's Repertory Theatre Ensemble Trish Reddy, left, and Chris Clark, face off in a performance for the Castle Theal.

stle Theatre has 'great expectations'

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rm weather and late Castle Theatre Festia is one way to fill the mmer nights.
r's Repertory Theatre is performing produc- 'illiam Shakespeare's Night" and an adapta- harles Dickens' "Great as."
r's Repertory Theatre has put on the annual Castle Theatre Festival since it opened 12 years ago, said Loraine Edwards, artistic director of the festival.

> "Most of the community participants have a degree in theater or have done extensive work in theater."
> — Loraine Edwards, artistic director of festival

Each year, the ensemble attempts to blend classical theater pieces, including Shakespeare plays.

Edwards said the ensemble brings together diverse talent from the community and local universities.

"Most of the community participants have a degree in theater or have done extensive work in theater," Edwards said.

Megan Sanborn Jones, the director of the Dickens piece, said she is excited about the performance run.

Jones, who received both her bachelor's and master's degrees in theater from BYU, was hired as a full-time professor in BYU's Theater Department last fall and is working on her Ph.D. in theater from the University of Minnesota.

Millionaire game show draws Hong Kong poor

Associated Press

HONG KONG — Postman Sin Kan-tong, 34, did not miss a beat when asked what he would do with the money.

"I will use all of it to bet on horses," Sin said, as he appeared on ATV's Chinese-language version of "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire."

The show has gained a large following in economically troubled Hong Kong.

"Amid the economic difficulties, it is a ray of hope among many despondent people," said Lau Siu-kai, a sociology professor at the Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Indeed, most contestants here hope to strike it rich mainly so they can get out of the hole.

Now that market bubbles have burst in Hong Kong, many turn to TV game shows like "Millionaire," hoping to get out of debt by studying general knowledge books.

"Those who come for the quick money are the majority — about 80 to 90 percent," said Ken Chan, host of the hit show.

The show's allure among middle-class homeowners can't be denied, Lau said.

"With questions based on a broader scope of knowledge, it differs from game shows in the past filled with questions on show biz that appealed to lower-class people," Lau said. "Moreover, its prizes are substantial."

Top prize is 1 million Hong Kong dollars ($128,205), but so far nobody has won it. Two contestants have won 500,000 Hong Kong dollars ($64,103).

Some people, like Sin, don't bother studying, hoping instead to get lucky with a few questions about things they already know. That approach didn't work for Sin — who walked away with no cash.

A few people play for different reasons. Paul Yip, 33, another contestant, said he treated the game as "a public classroom" to share positive messages with the audience and host.

One of Yip's messages: "Life is not all about money, but happiness."

"If the message is delivered, no matter how much I can get, the prize that I've got is worth more than a million dollars," he said.

Not that Yip is doing badly on the money front. He won 310,000 Hong Kong dollars ($39,743) in his two appearances.

To some, the show simply offers good fun.

Chu Mow-dow, 83, needed a helping hand from her daughter to get to her seat in the studio audience, and since she speaks a dialect rarely used by Hong Kong's younger generations, she didn't understand a single word of the show.

That didn't stop her from laughing and clapping all the way through.

"It makes me happy," Chu said, using her daughter as an interpreter.

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Women golfers prepare for first fall tournament

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The BYU women's golf team is working hard to perfect their swing as they prepare to compete against some of the best teams in the nation.

The 72-hole Dick McGuire Invitational in Albuquerque, N.M. begins on Thursday with a practice run on Wednesday.

The tournament is made up of 18 teams and includes preseason-ranked top 25 teams. Those participating include Tulsa, New Mexico State, Arizona, Pepperdine, and Arizona State.

BYU's performance in the tournament could set the tone for the rest of the year. That is why head coach Sue Nyhus wants to begin the season with a solid start.

"I am hoping we can play well enough to boost our confidence and motivate us to work harder to reach the next level," Nyhus said.

Not only will the team face tough competition from highly ranked schools, but the New Mexico course is sure to add pressure.

The unusual layout of the course itself may cause challenges for golfers. Nyhus said this course is difficult because it is built below the Albuquerque airport.

"The course has a lot of character and very large greens. It is a tradition in the fall to play at UNM," Nyhus said. "It is a prestigious tournament in which the best teams from around the country will be competing."

Lisa Dernick, a senior from Woodlands, Texas, and an academic All-American, just wants the team to do well.

"I want the team to finish in at least the top ten," Dernick said.

This will be the first invitational for Sue Nyhus as head coach. Nyhus was hired in July, replacing Gary Howard, who retired from his 23rd year of coaching.

Nyhus is a BYU alumnus and former academic All-American. She was involved in the Women's Professional Golf European Tour and named the first female as the UGA Player of the Year and named Female Golfer of the Decade in 1999.

Eight members make up the 2001 team, and each has a strength that contributes to the team's success.

As a first time head coach, Nyhus said she simply wants to help every player improve.

"I want to be there to help them athletically of course, but also mentor them when invited in all areas of their lives," Nyhus said. "I hope to help them build their own confidence in every way."

Natalie Newren, a freshman from Salt Lake, said she is determined on helping the team.

"My goal is to help contribute to the team, stay focused and to not get nervous," Newren said.

Women's soccer wins in shutout

By Loni K. Johnston
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The BYU Women's Soccer team not only dominated on their first road trip of the season, but also held both opponents scoreless, giving BYU their third shutout this season.

The Cougars beat Northwestern Monday 1-0 in Evanston, Ill. Freshman Krissa Campbell made her collegiate debut, scoring the only goal in the first two minutes of the game.

Defense was the name of the game as the BYU squad allowed Northwestern only six on goal shots. BYU was also victim to the tough defense getting off only seven on goal shots. Senior goalkeeper Jennifer Waldron contributed to the defensive force with three saves.

On Saturday the Cougars shut out Minnesota 3-0 in an intense match up with the score deadlocked at zero for the first 30 minutes of the game. Junior Kelly Hunsberger broke the tie with a score assisted by Sarah Higham Yee.

Yee followed the lead of Hunsberger with another score assisted by Kimmie Davis. Davis played 'follow the leader' as well, with the final score of the game from an assist by freshman Kim Devine with eight minutes left in the game.

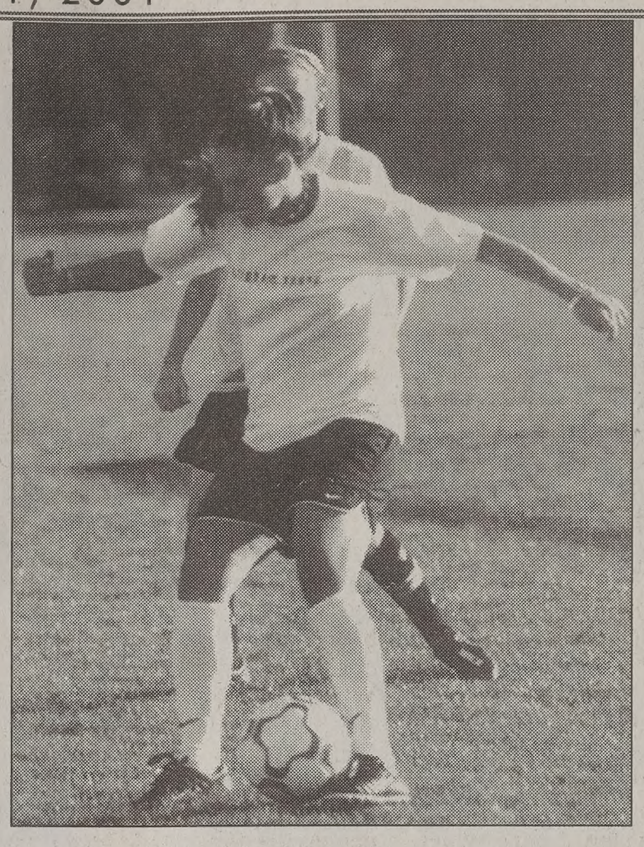
"We played with more intensity and more desire," BYU head coach Jennifer Rockwood said. "We also had a good work rate which made good things happen."

> "We played with more intesity ... more desire."
> — Coach Jennifer Rockwood

Rockwood also said it was good to have three different players on the scorebooks.

"We are pleased that three different players scored and everybody played solid," Rockwood said.

The two shutouts take BYU to 2-1-0 on the season. The Cougars will host Montana on Friday and Marquette on Saturday. Both games kick off at 7 p.m.at South Field.



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Provo Ice Cats skate into season with high hop

By Jeremy Trail
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The Provo Ice Cats skate into their 2001 ice hockey season September 21.

"Our goals for this year are to play .500 hockey, win over half our games, and build a program all can be proud of," said assistant Ice Cat Hockey coach Patrick Perrett.

With the help of a new head coach Ray Bernier, a solid management program and many new recruits, the team hopes their goals will be obtainable.

The Ice Cat's season opener will be against last year's league champions, the University of Utah.

"We have six practices to get the team all on the same page and in good condition," said Perrett at Friday night's tryouts. Greg Ingram, a returning Cat and team leader, believes that the new coach will bring needed organization and intensity to the team.

Challenges are nothing new to the Ice Cat program. According to Perrett, the team has been around in some form or another for 20 years.

It wasn't until recently, due to the maturity of the program, that community sponsors have begun to come to the aid of the Cats.

Due to a lack of funding all involved with the program make great sacrifices of time and money to see the success of this team.

All management including the coaching staff volunteer. Also, the athletes must pay fees and supply all their own equipment estimated at $1,500 per player.

The Cats are not sponsored by BYU, but the players are required to meet all the standards of student athletes at BYU. These players must abide the honor code, as well as maintain the standard GPA and course loads.

"We still represent because we are BYU s we feel like we represe and we hope we do a go it," Ingram said.

Perrett said he hopes th good season the team wil to gain more assistance community and fans, wh allow for the program to its improvement becomi thing, "the community proud of."

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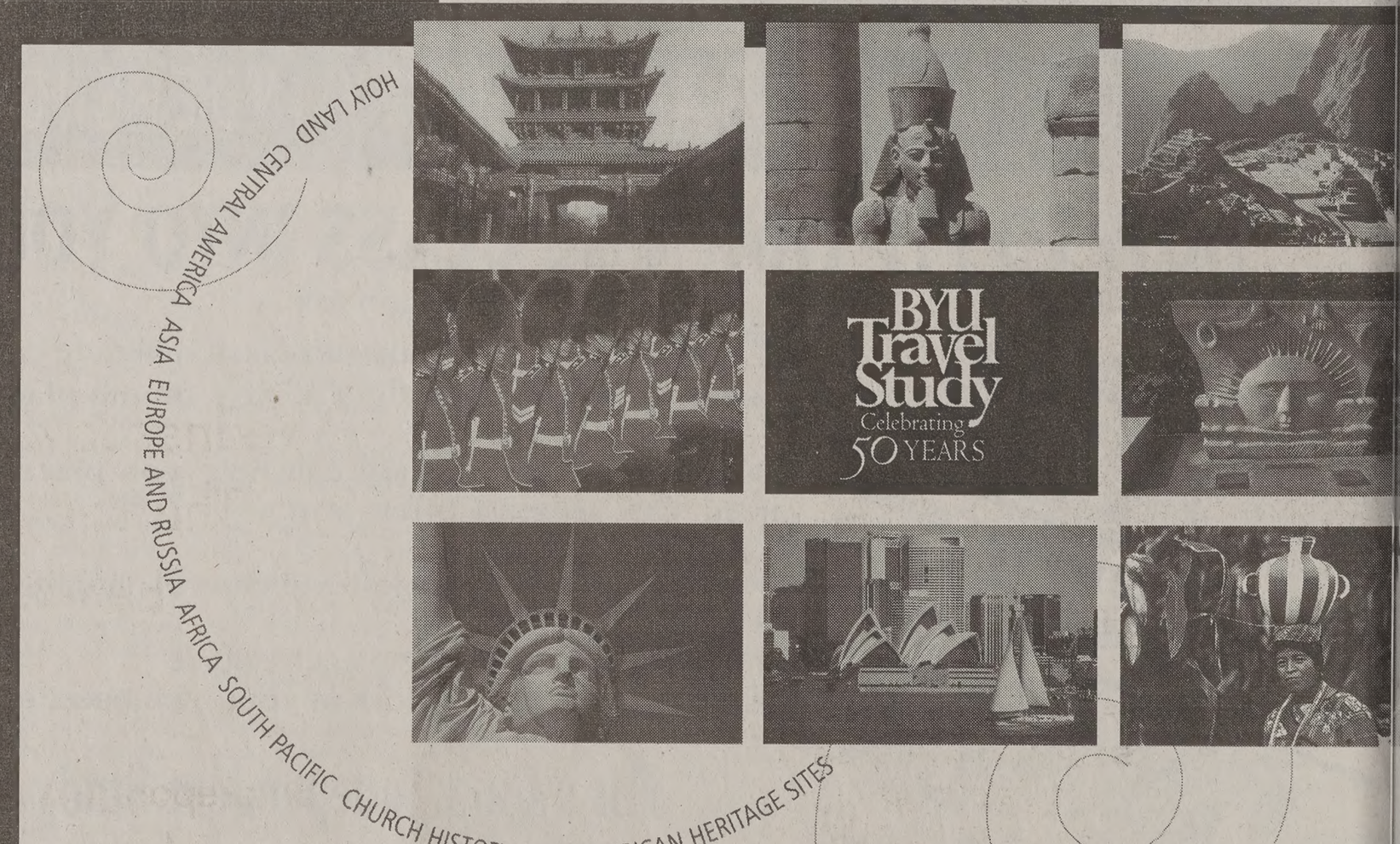
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e 3rd coming of Jordan? It's all but official

d Press

GO — Michael Jordan onfirmed Monday he turn to play in the NBA the world will know for in 10 days.

-minute conversation Associated Press and for the Chicago Sun- nd cnnsi.com, Jordan news conference to his decision would be Washington, D.C., by the next week.

Whether he was definite- g back, Jordan smiled moment later, he looked aid, "I'm doing it for the he game. Nothing else. ve the game."

who led the Chicago six championships, has ut all summer preparing expected comeback with ington Wizards. He is of basketball operations eam and a part owner, he has to divest his ip under NBA rules urning to the court.

has tested himself and repeatedly in scrim- gainst top-caliber NBA with league referees offi- The only question is whether the tendini- right knee would limit veness.

however, said the knee was sound. If it remains that way over the next few days, he said, "I'll be ready to go."

> "I'm doing it for the love of the game. Nothing else."
>
> — Michael Jordan

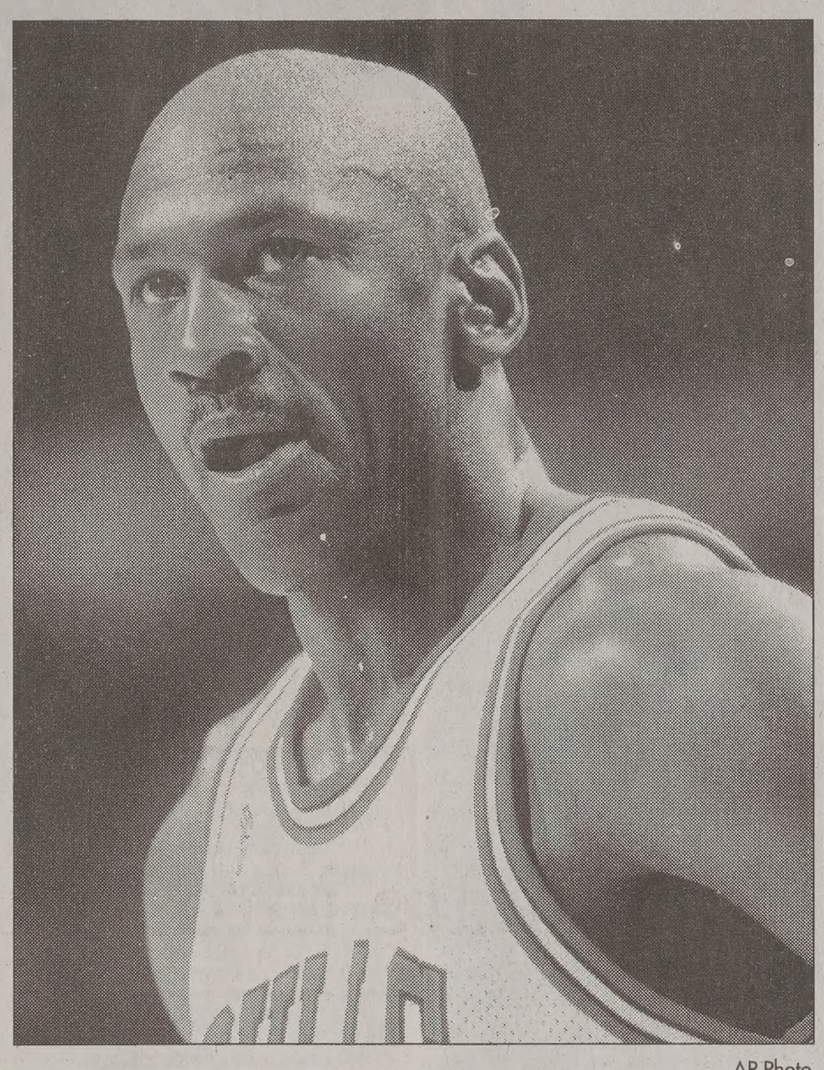
This would be the second comeback for the 38-year-old Jordan.

He stunned the basketball world by retiring in October 1993, saying he had nothing left to prove in basketball and wanted to give baseball a try. He played a season of Double-A ball for the Chicago White Sox team in Birmingham, Ala., but returned to the Bulls in March 1995.

In the half-hour conversation on a curb outside his restaurant, Jordan dropped the conditional tense for the first time since acknowledging in April that he was serious about coming back.

"I want to play for years," he said.

But Jordan made clear he wasn't coming back to fulfill any expectations but his own. "Winning isn't always championships. What's wrong with helping kids find their way, teaching them the game."



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Michael Jordan is poised to make a third comeback official within 10 days. Jordan said he will return to basketball purely for the "love of the game."

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ER — It was a bitter- ebration for the Denver their first game in a ium, the Broncos wel- ck former MVP Terrell showed why they are ed Super Bowl con- ith a 31-20 victory over York Giants on Monday

Davis proved healthy yards on 21 carries, st starting wide receiver ffrey to a broken leg. y, who caught a team- passes last year, could est of the season.

The devastating injury to McCaffrey seemed to inspire the Broncos, particularly Rod Smith, who caught a 25-yard touchdown pass that gave Denver a 21-14 lead three plays after McCaffrey was injured midway through the third quarter.

The Broncos also scored on their first two possessions of the fourth quarter, ensuring they would open $400 million Invesco Field at Mile High on a winning note.

Smith, one of McCaffrey's best friends, finished with nine catches for 115 yards, and Brian Griese, eight months removed from reconstructive shoulder surgery, was 21-of-29 for 330 yards and three touchdowns.

The Giants, still seeking respect after winning the NFC title last year, had trouble running the ball and were hampered by the absences of starting cornerback Jason Sehorn (sore knee) and starting receiver Ike Hilliard (sore foot).

New York finished with 308 yards total offense — 90 coming in the final five minutes — and Sehorn's replacement, rookie Will Peterson, repeatedly was beaten by Smith and McCaffrey. Dave Thomas also struggled to contain Denver's receivers - even after McCaffrey left the game.

One of New York's best players was first-year punter Rodney Williams, who set a team record with a 90-yard punt in the third quarter and two more kicks over 60 yards.

Amani Toomer also had a big night with two touchdown catches for the Giants, who lost their season-opener for the first time in five years under coach Jim Fassel.

Y racketball team aims for 9th title

By Michael Willhite
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NewsNet Sports Writer

> "It's just a fun sport."
>
> — Laura Hasler, BYU racketbally player

Not all athletes at BYU play in front of thousands of people, on national television, or are even on scholarship.

Members of the BYU racquetball team start their quest today for a national championship in relative anonymity. As tryouts begin today, Coach Dennis Fisher said he hopes he can find the 12 men and 12 women that can bring home the team's seventh national championship in eight years.

While a national championship might seem to be an extremely lofty goal, it, along with the love of playing, is close to the only motivation that these players have. There are no scholarships, few fans, but plenty of hard work and fun.

The hard work will take place in the next couple of months, while the team does nothing but work on conditioning, speed, agility, and other basic skills. Aside from a couple of local tournaments, competition is avoided in the beginning so that the players won't develop any bad habits, Fisher said.

Around the first of the year the team will take shape as they prepare for matches against teams from local schools such as Utah State, the University of Utah, and UVSC. This all leads up to the national tournament in March in Las Vegas.

Fisher and his players also like to have fun. Last year, they got together for a barbeque, a Christmas party, and even a temple trip. In fact, a major component of the team's philosophy is to play for fun.

"It's just a fun sport," Laura Hasler said. She is returning for her sophomore year, after having competed for the first time last year.

Fisher is depending on returning players like Hasler and senior Travis Passey to lead this year's team. When it comes to this year's expectations, Passey said she just wanted "to exceed last year."

While Fisher said he agrees, he is also very adamant that school work comes first, even allowing team members to miss practice if they need to study for a test or work on a project.

That philosophy has allowed his team to achieve great things off the court. With an average team GPA he estimates to be around 3.8, Fisher said, "I'd put my kids, academically, against any team in the nation."

For the next seven months, Fisher's team will be running, swinging, and playing their way toward the national tournament. While not many people on campus will notice, they'll be working hard and having fun.

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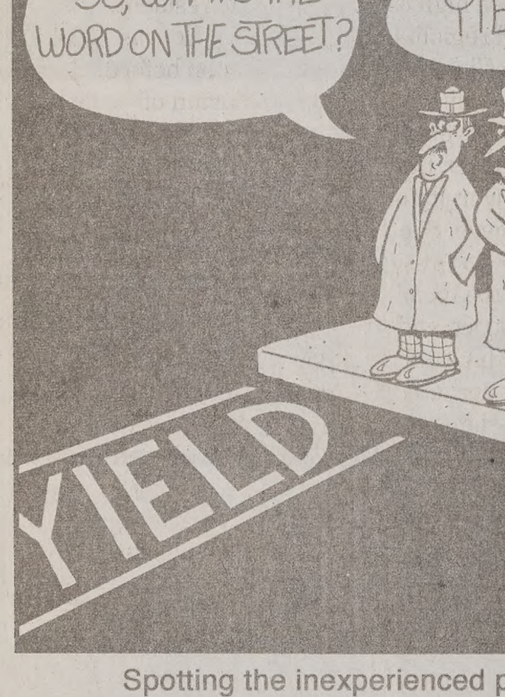

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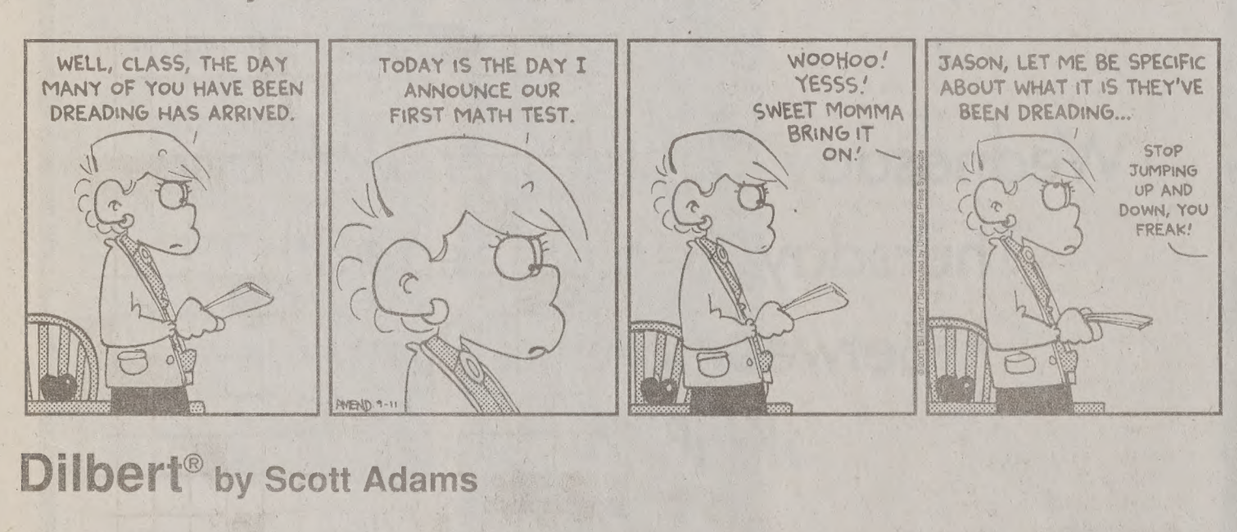
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The New York Times Crossword puzzle

Air strike was fatal, Iraq says

Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraq said Monday that eight civilians were killed in a weekend air strike by U.S. and British warplanes on southern Iraq.

The Pentagon gave no word of casualties.

The official Iraqi News Agency said three others were wounded in the strike Sunday night in the al-Salhiya area of Wasit province, 100 miles south of Baghdad.

Civilians "were preparing for prayers when attacked by the savage U.S.-British warplanes," the news agency said. Property and shops were also destroyed, it said.

The U.S. Central Command in Florida said its planes attacked two or more surface-to-air missile sites Sunday in southern Iraq in response to Iraqi threats against American and British aircraft patrolling no-fly zones over Iraq.

F-16, FA-18 and Royal Air Force Tornado aircraft took part in the hour-long strikes that started at 9:30 p.m. Sunday, said Maj. Brett Morris of the Saudi-based Joint Task Force South West Asia on Monday.

Damage assessments are continuing, he told The Associated Press, saying, "we strive to make these strikes as focused as possible to avoid civilian casualties or collateral damage."

The strikes were a response to Iraq's "multiple violations" of U.N.-imposed sanctions, Morris said. He did not elaborate on the alleged violations.

Deadly cough easily spreads to young kids

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Whooping cough is one of those diseases most people think is history — but the dangerous germ that can leave sufferers gasping for air is making a comeback.

The cough so strong it can break a rib once hit mostly babies and toddlers, but now it's striking more and more teen-agers and young adults. Apparently the whooping cough vaccinations Americans get as babies eventually can wear off.

Here's the real risk: While older people usually recover, they can easily spread the illness to infants too young for vaccinations. Whooping cough can kill babies.

So experts warn new parents to keep infants away from anyone who's coughing, even as scientists study whether millions of Americans should start getting booster doses of whooping cough vaccine just as many get regular tetanus shots.

The goal is to develop boosters for older children and adults so there's "a wall of protection around the newborn baby," explains Dr. Michael Decker, a Vanderbilt University professor who has studied whooping cough, also called pertussis, for 20 years.

He just joined vaccine manufacturer Aventis Pasteur, which is working to bring a booster shot sold in Canada to this country.

Pertussis is a bacterial infection that at first seems like a cold: a runny nose and hacking cough, first at night and then during the day. Coughing fits begin a week or two later, up to 15 coughs in a row followed by a high-pitched "whoop" as patients gasp for air.

Infants are more likely to turn bluish than whoop as they run out of air. They can get pneumonia and become dehydrated and malnourished.

For teens or adults, the severe coughing can cause vomiting or a hernia, even break a rib.

Consider Decker's own experience. "I got it off my 15-year-old this January, and I was coughing for three months," he said. "I could feel my throat closing up and tightening, and I started choking and gagging. It was a revelatory experience for someone who's written the words and not experienced the feeling."

Often, though, older patients have a milder illness, just a nagging cough. So they don't see a doctor, or it's misdiagnosed as bronchitis, because pertussis testing is very difficult. Indeed, a Vanderbilt study found about one-fourth of teens and adults with prolonged coughs unknowingly have pertussis. It's most contagious during the first three weeks.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention counted 56,775 whooping cough cases during the 1990s, a 51 percent increase from the 1980s — and a rise that's continuing.

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President Merrill J. Bateman
Sister Marilyn S. Bateman

Elder Merrill J. Bateman, BYU's 11th president, is a member of the Church's First Quorum of the Seventy. He is married to Marilyn Scholes Bateman, and they are parents of seven children and grandparents of 25.

Prior to his call as a General Authority, President Bateman headed his own consulting and capital management companies. He had earlier served as dean of the BYU College of Business and School of Management (now the Marriott School of Management) and as an executive with Mars, Inc., in England and the United States.

President Bateman graduated from the University of Utah and earned a doctorate in economics from MIT. He was an Air Force Academy instructor early in his academic career.

President Bateman's administration has been directed toward continuing the emphasis on enhancing the quality of BYU's education while seeking ways to serve more students. In these endeavors he has led a continuing effort to strengthen the religious foundations of the university.

Elder Bateman has served the Church as a missionary, ward bishop, stake high councilor, stake president, and regional representative. He was the Church's Presiding Bishop before his calling to the First Quorum of the Seventy.

Sister Bateman attended BYU, the University of Utah, and LDS Business College. She has served the community as PTA president, as a curriculum committee member of the Provo School District, and as a board member of the Utah County Symphony Guild. She has served the Church as a district missionary, stake Young Women president, and counselor in Young Women and Relief Society stake presidencies, as well as in leadership and teaching positions in ward women's auxiliaries.

Mad cow disease concerns Japanese

Associated Press

TOKYO — Japan announced Monday it has found its — and Asia's — first suspected case of mad cow disease and blamed imported feed as the likely cause.

Japanese health experts had previously asserted the high standards of cleanliness in Japanese cattle ranches would keep the country free of the brain-wasting disease, which has ravaged herds in Europe and is linked to a fatal human disease.

But officials were alarmed last month when a cow in the Chiba prefect mysteriously lost the ability to stand. The animal was slaughtered and tests of its brain indicate signs of the illness, according to a statement issued Monday by the Ministry of Agriculture.

"We must now ask ourselves if our previous way of thinking was wrong, if there were factors we hadn't foreseen," said Kiyoshi Onodera, deputy division chief at the Ministry of Agriculture's animal health division.

The government said more tests were necessary to determine conclusively whether the cow was infected with the disease.

Milk produced by the 5-year-old Holstein had already been sold on the market, but scientists believe milk is unlikely to spread the disease. Norio Tsuruoka, an official at the Chiba prefect's stockbreeding sanitation section, said about 4,160 gallons of milk from the suspect cow were sold.

He said it was not immediately clear where the milk had been marketed. However, Chiba is a main supplier of agricultural products to Tokyo.

Some 30 other cows were bred at the same farm as the suspect cow but the other animals are not thought to carry the disease, Tsuruoka said. Many have been quarantined, but officials have not yet decided whether to slaughter them.

Mad cow disease, or bovine spongiform encephalopathy, is believed to spread by the recycling of meat and bones from infected animals back into cattle feed. Mad cow disease is thought to cause a fatal brain-wasting disease in humans, variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease.

While most imported feed used in Japan comes from the United States, Canada and Australia — all believed to be free of mad cow disease — some shipments were imported from European countries, including Denmark and Italy, before a ban on European feed took effect this year, Sugiura said.

Last year, Japan banned EU beef and food made form processed beef and bull sperm, which is used for breeding.

Japan has also restricted blood donations from people who lived in Britain — where more than 100 cases of variant CJD have been discovered — since 1980. Mad cow disease was diagnosed in 1986 there and has resulted in wholesale herd slaughtering, mandatory testing and a European Union ban on British beef exports that has since been lifted. Thousands of cattle in Europe have been infected with mad cow disease, most in Britain, and hundreds of thousands of cattle have been destroyed.

Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

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5 Item on a to-do list
9 Intriguing bunch
14 Letters on a cross
15 Widemouthed jug
16 Use a soapbox
17 The big house
18 Churn
19 Gets a lift
20 Nickname for Leona Helmsley
23 Keats praised one
24 Harper's Bazaar illustrator
25 Second shot
30 Make beloved
32 Plied up
33 In no particular key
36 Take seriously
37 Interstate divider
41 Like some exhausts
42 Trump Castle employee
43 Neighbor of Georgia
46 Lure into crime
50 Dynamo part
51 Empty spaces
53 "___ Gang"
54 "People Are People" rock group
57 ___ dish (lab vessel)
61 This, in Tijuana
62 "Jake's Thing" author
63 Doughnut-shaped
64 Kind of collar
65 Riga resident
66 Take potshots (at)
67 Fresh-mouthed
68 Guesstimate phrase

DOWN

1 Suggestive
2 Sequentially
3 Quaker
4 Send packing
5 It's another day
6 In flight
7 Gunk
8 Curly cabbage
9 Eye bank donation
10 Meyers of "Kate & Allie"
11 Good, in the 'hood
12 Broke a fast
13 Brown of renown
21 Poet's "below"
22 It stays by your side
26 Summer top
27 Out of port
28 Wail like a banshee
29 Announcer Hall
31 Aerie hatchling
32 Soprano Gluck
34 Nothin'
35 Yeoman's yes
37 On the disabled list
38 "___ Camera"
39 Seuss's Horton, for one
40 Not the brightest bulb on the tree
41 Courtroom V.I.P.'s
44 "Ixnay!"
45 Spleen
47 B & B patron
48 Financial checks
49 Magic word
51 "Beau ___"
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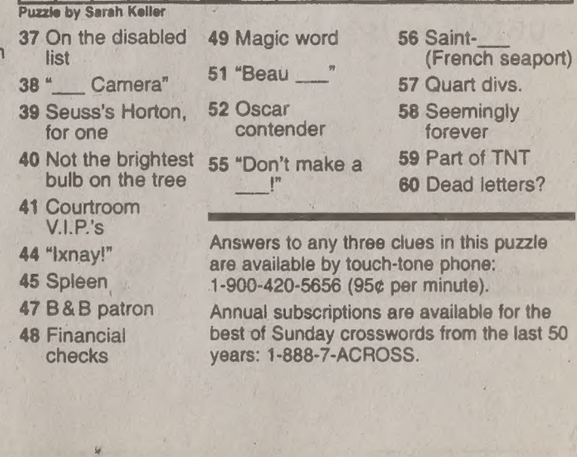
60 Dead letters?



Puzzle by Sarah Keller

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Pioneer Park welcomes all to annual Farmer's Market

By Erin Johnson
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NewsNet Staff Writer

Farmers, florists and craftsmen unloaded their goods early last Saturday morning in preparation for the annual Farmer's Market at Historic Pioneer Park in Salt Lake City.

The market, which will be staged every Saturday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. until Oct. 20, is an ongoing effort by the Downtown Alliance to bring the community together to sell locally grown products — as well as to socialize.

"We want to bring people downtown to a place that is pretty desolate for the rest of the week," said Brennan Creed, event manager for the Downtown Alliance. "We want to get people down that wouldn't normally be out on a Saturday."

The weekly fair usually attracts more than 6,000 patrons and boasts over 70 vendors of fresh fruit, flowers, and other handmade crafts, Creed said.

Alpine resident and farmer Sherman Bennett has brought his share of peaches and cherries to the market since its beginnings 10 years ago, and said he hopes to continue participating in the market as long as he can.

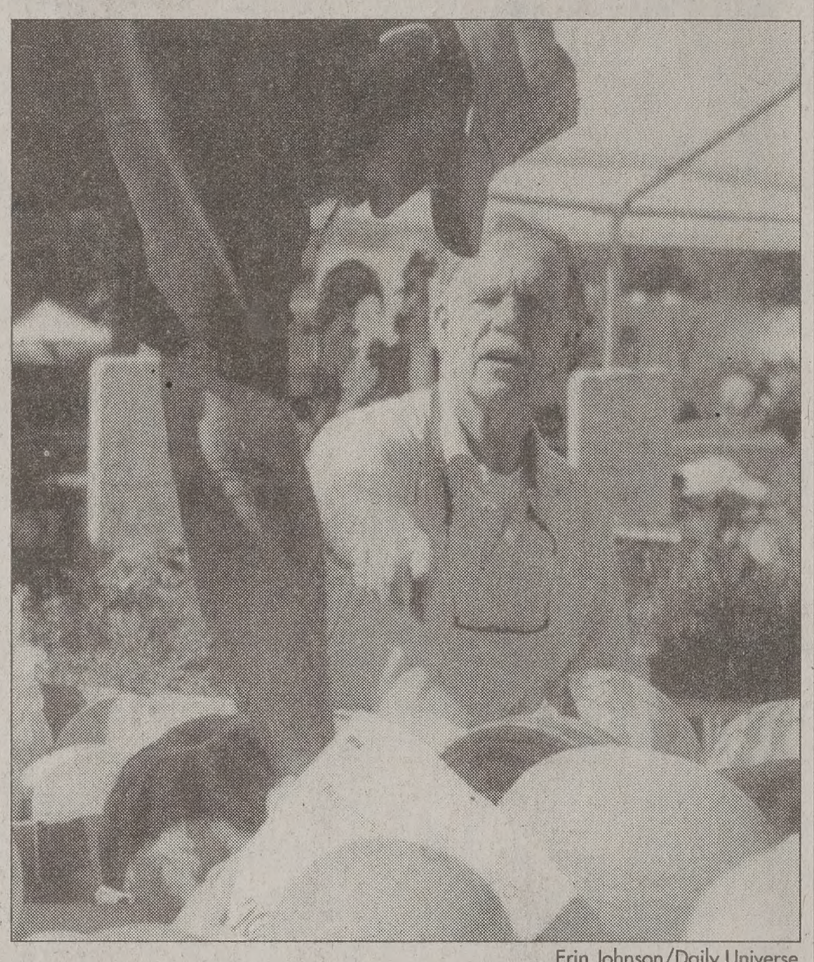
"As long as I feel good, I'll be here," Bennett said. "I like to do it because there are a lot of nice, honest people."

Likewise, 10-year market patron Mary Jane Simmons of Salt Lake City says she goes to the fair specifically to visit Bennett's booth because "his cherries are unbelievable."

"I love the fresh produce, but it's more about the friends," she said. "There is a great community feeling, and I carry the memory of it with me throughout the week."

Salt Lake resident Cory Sargeant also frequents the fair because it "brings people together, and it's a great deal and a good show."

The Downtown Alliance is a non-profit organization that seeks to enhance the city's development commercially and culturally.



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A customer finds the perfect melon at Farmer's Market in Salt Lake City. The market runs every Saturday until Oct. 20.

Slowing market causes conce among calculating consumer

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Consumers, worried about job prospects in a weakening economy, remained cautious in July about taking on extra debt, the government reported Monday.

The Federal Reserve said that consumer borrowing was essentially unchanged in July after falling 1.3 percent at an annual rate in June. The June decline marked the first time consumer borrowing had fallen in nearly four years.

Analysts said the weakness in borrowing shows that consumers, the main force keeping the economy out of a recession, have grown much more cautious in the face of the yearlong economic slowdown.

"For about a year, the consumer has shouldered the burden of a corporate profit recession, a stagnant stock market and a meltdown in capital spending. It now appears that the weight of these dire economic circumstances are beginning to take a toll on the sole engine of economic growth," said Richard Yamarone of Argus Research Corp.

Most economists believe the country will avoid a recession because consumers, bolstered by low interest rates and $40 billion in tax rebates, will keep spending.

However, the more pessimistic forecasters are concerned that Americans could suddenly decide to curtail purchases, especially of big-ticket items that must be financed on credit, out of concern over their job prospects.

The government reported last week that the nation's unemployment rate shot up to 4.9 percent in August, the biggest one-month increase in more than six years.

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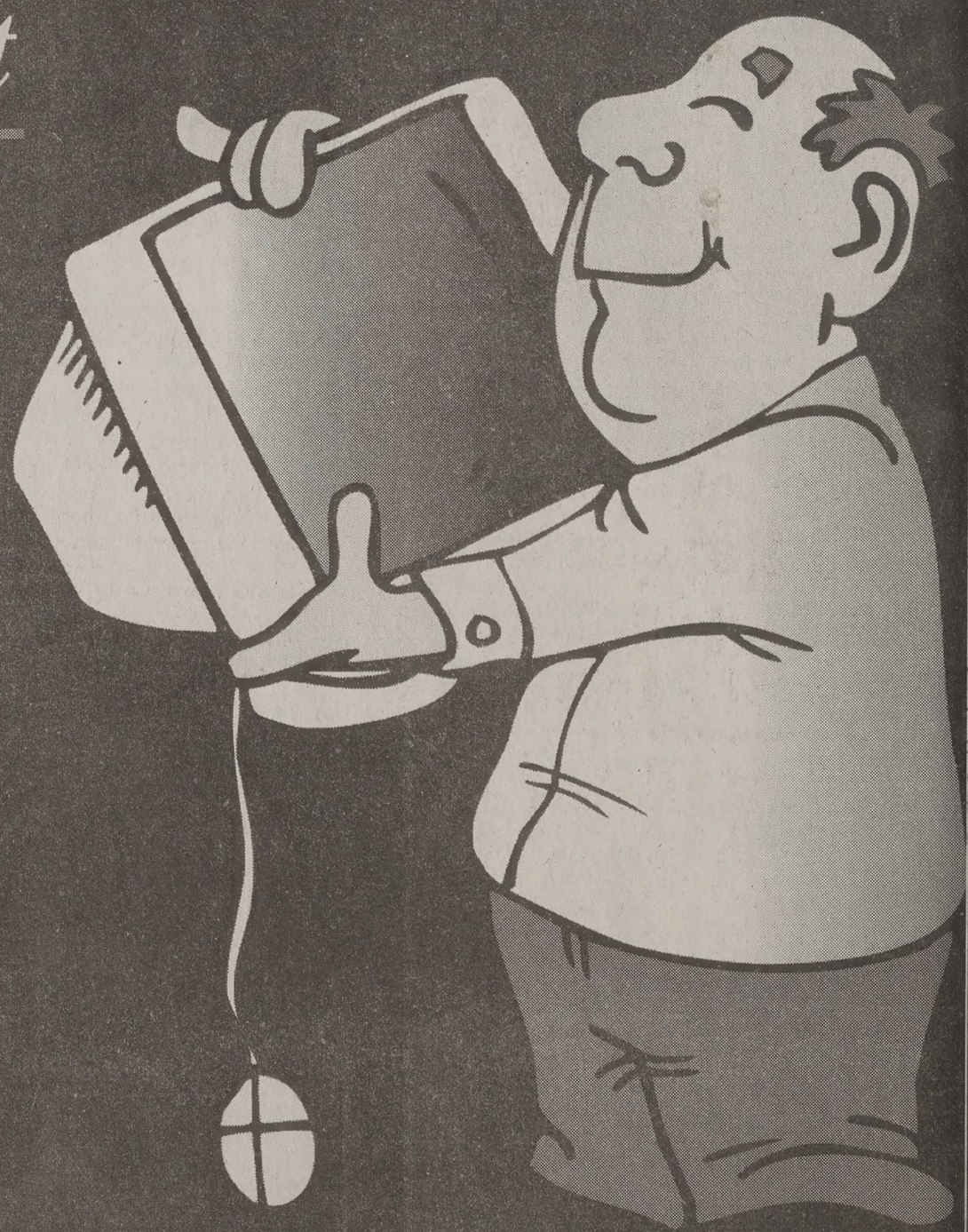

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